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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
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For: **Compounds for Deactivating Phospholamban Function on Ca-ATPase**
(Phospholamban Inhibitors)
Inventors: POLLESELLO *et al.*
Our Ref: 1102.0250003/JMC/AES

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
2. Copy of substitute specification;
3. Copy of substitute specification with markings to show changes made;
4. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R § 1.136(a)(1) (*in duplicate*);
5. Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17) (*in duplicate*);
6. SKGF Check No. 32748 in the amount of \$400.00 to cover the fee for a two (2) month Extension of Time; and
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